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Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 was filed in the above-captioned patent application on October 6, 2000. Applicants have received back from the Examiner a copy of the Form PTO-1449 initialed to acknowledge the fact that the Examiner has considered the cited disclosed information.

In preparing the Form PTO-1449, the cited disclosed information was listed as it was listed on the cover page of U.S. Patent No. 5,817,465 (hereinafter "the 465 patent"), the present application being a reissue of the 465 patent. However, it has subsequently come to Applicants' attention that the Patent Office created several errors on the cover page of the 465 patent, specifically in the "References Cited" section. Thus, since the Form PTO-1449 was created based on the cover page of the 465 patent, several of the references were incorrectly listed on the Form PTO-1449 filed October 6, 2000, and therefore do not correspond to the references that the Patent Office has in its files See, in particular, U.S. Patent No. 5,229,297, which was incorrectly referred to on the cover of the 465 patent and in the Form PTO-1449 filed October 6, 2000 as U.S. Patent No. 5,229;487, and WIPO Publication No. 91/09944, which was incorrectly referred to on the cover of the 465 patent and in the Form PTO-1449 filed October 6, 2000 as WIPO Publication No \$91\(\tilde{0}\) 4944.

In order to ensure that the references are correctly listed on any reissue patent that issues in the above-captioned patent application; a corrected Form PTO-1449 is attached.

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